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 Applicant Microsoft Corporation
 Priority Group Art Unit 2755
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CONTINUATION PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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1. Transmittal Letter with Certificate of Mailing included.
2. PTO Return Postcard Receipt
3. Request for Continuation Application Under 37 C.F.R. 1.53 (b)
4. True copy of the prior application as filed including the specification (121 pages, claims 1-24 & Abstract) and 48 sheets drawings (Figs. 1-51)
5. Preliminary Amendment

Large Entity Status [x]

Small Entity Status []

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of fees or credit overpayments to Deposit Account No. 12-0769 in connection with any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17; and any additional filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.

Date: March 16, 2001

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUATION APPLICATION****UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)**

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This is a request for filing a Continuation application under 37 CFR §1.53(b) of Application Serial No. 09/496,318, which was filed February 1, 2000, and is entitled "Dynamic Self-Configuration For Ad Hoc Peer Networking." The prior application was submitted in the names of Zintel et al.

The prior application was a complete application as set forth in 37 CFR §1.51(a). The application papers being filed herewith are a true copy of the prior application as filed including the specification (with claims) and drawings. No amendments referred to in the oath or declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein. No abandonment or termination of proceeding has occurred in the above-identified prior application.

1 The filing date of pending application Serial No. 09/496,318 is hereby
2 claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120.

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4 A preliminary amendment is enclosed.

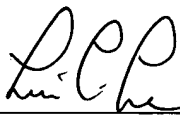
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6 A previous assignment to Microsoft Corporation has been executed by the
7 inventors in the prior application, and is applicable to the present application.

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